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Letter dated 22 December 2017 from the Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1518 (2003) addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to transmit herewith the report of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1518 (2003). The report, which was approved by the Committee, is being submitted in accordance with the note by the President of the Security Council of 29 March 1995 (S/1995/234).

I should be grateful if the present letter and the report were brought to the attention of the members of the Security Council and issued as a document of the Council.

(*Signed*) Amr Abdellatif **Aboulatta**
Chair
Security Council Committee established pursuant to
resolution 1518 (2003)

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Report of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1518 (2003)

I. Introduction

1. The present report of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1518 (2003) covers the period from 1 January to 31 December 2017.

2. The Bureau of the Committee consisted of Amr Abdellatif Aboulatta (Egypt) as Chair and the representative of Kazakhstan as Vice-Chair.

II. Background

3. By its resolution 1518 (2003), the Security Council established the Committee and mandated it to continue to identify individuals and entities whose funds, other financial assets and economic resources should be frozen and transferred to the Development Fund for Iraq, in accordance with paragraphs 19 and 23 of resolution 1483 (2003).

4. By its resolution 1546 (2004), the Security Council decided that the arms embargo would not apply to arms or related materiel required by the Government of Iraq or the multinational force to serve the purposes of that resolution. The mandate of the multinational force was subsequently terminated.

5. Further background information on the sanctions regime can be found in the previous annual reports of the Committee.

III. Summary of the activities of the Committee

6. Although the Committee held no meetings in 2017, it continued to consider relevant issues brought to its attention, conducting its work through written procedures.

7. The Committee considered issues relating to its sanctions list (see sect. V).

IV. Exemptions

8. There are no exemption provisions contained in the relevant resolutions.

V. Sanctions list

9. The criteria for the designation of individuals and entities as subject to the asset freeze are set out in paragraph 23 of resolution 1483 (2003). The guidelines for requesting listing and delisting are outlined on the website of the Committee.

10. During the period under review, the Committee received 12 letters from the Focal Point for Delisting established pursuant to resolution 1730 (2006), in relation to six delisting requests involving 10 listed individuals (one request was submitted jointly by five individuals). All of the requests are currently under extended review by a designating State and/or a State of citizenship, in accordance with paragraphs 5 and 6(c) of the annex to resolution 1730 (2006).

11. In total, four entities were delisted following requests from a Member State on 26 January, 21 February, 8 March and 24 November, respectively.

12. As at the end of the reporting period, there were 86 individuals and 169 entities on the sanctions list of the Committee.

VI. Secretariat administrative and substantive support

13. The Security Council Affairs Division provided substantive and procedural support to the Chair and the members of the Committee. Advisory support was also provided to Member States to promote understanding of the sanctions regime and facilitate the implementation of the sanctions measures. Induction briefings were also provided to incoming members of the Council to familiarize them with the specific issues relevant to the sanctions regime.

14. The Secretariat continued to update and maintain the Consolidated United Nations Security Council Sanctions List and the Committee-specific sanctions lists in the six official languages and the three technical formats. Furthermore, the Secretariat implemented improvements concerning the effective utilization of and access to sanctions lists, including through the creation of links within list entries, as appropriate, to INTERPOL-United Nations Security Council Special Notices, as well as the development in English of the data model approved in 2011 by the Committee pursuant to resolutions 1267 (1999), 1989 (2011) and 2253 (2015) concerning Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (Da'esh), Al-Qaida and associated individuals, groups, undertakings and entities, as requested by the Security Council in paragraph 48 of resolution 2253 (2015).